MR. P. O. THOMAS (*Kunnathunad* cum *Parur*): May I know how many applications were received in 1121 for fresh Village Unions?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: As far as I know all the applications that have been received have been sanctioned.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRY (*Nominated*): വില്ലേജ് യൂണിയൻ അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിന് അംഗീകരിക്കാവുള്ള പൊതു തത്വം എന്താണെന്നു പറയാൻ ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: അതാതു സ്ഥലങ്ങളിലുള്ള പൊതു ജനങ്ങളുടെ ആവശ്യമനുസരിച്ച് ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽനിന്നും അന്വേഷണം നടത്തി റിപ്പോർട്ട് വരുത്തിയതിനുശേഷം വില്ലേജ യൂണിയൻ വേണമെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെട്ടാൽ അനുവദിക്കുന്നതാണു.

MR. T. K NARAYANA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): On a point of elucidation, Sir. The Secretary to Government stated that there is to be an investigation by the staff. Am I then to understand that these Village Unions were sanctioned before any investigation were made?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: No. I said this staff would enquire into the needs of the locality, would prepare the programme for the year etc.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: So I am to understand, I suppose, that due investigations have previously been made when these Village Unions were sanctioned?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: Yes, it is so.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know from the member why almost the entire collection for 1120 remains unexpended?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: The only explanation that could be given is that the Village Union has not been as active as it should have been.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know who the President was?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: I am not aware of that.

Street lights in Thalayazham Village Union.

573. * MR. K. R. NARAYANAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a resolution to the effect that street lights be arranged within the limits of the Thalayazham (Vaikom) Village Union has been passed; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken by Government on this?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Nine street lights have been installed in the Union area.

Works by certain Village Unions.

571. * MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state the works conducted so far by (1) the Varkala Village Union and (2) the Kadakavoor Village Union?

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